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Carrollton Kiwanis Kids Day Parade

Serving the Children of the World tm

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MoArk CKI Convention

One March 8-10 the MoArk CKI clubs will be having their annual convention in Springfield, MO. The projected cost is \$150 per student for 2 nights double occupancy and all meals Friday night through Sunday morning. We really need to have the current President and President-elect from each club attend for training and elections, and if the Club Secretaries can also attend that would help greatly. So we are trying to find ways to lower the cost to the student even more.

The idea of starving students is true; \$150 is a lot of money for most of them. Maybe we can help? If your club or Division has a CKI club, please try to help by working with them. Maybe help them stage a special fundraiser. Don't just give them the money help them to earn it. Please email me if you have any questions.

Thank You,

Ralph Baldi
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Governor's Message

Fellow Kiwanians,

What a great premiere month for our new Kiwanis year. I want to first, pass the extreme gratitude from the entire district to Cheryl Anderson, our new Immediate Past Governor. Thanks Cheryl for building nine new clubs and putting MoArk out front of every other district in the US in membership growth. We are working to continue your great work.

The month of October has been a great month, I started in Kansas City, helping the KC Downtown Kiwanis Club celebrate their one hundredth anniversary. They are the longest existing club in our district and held their celebration at one of the grandest hotels in the city, the Historic Muehlebach Hotel. While the setting, the music, and their key note speaker were great, I was most impressed with presentation from one of the recipients of their Student Assistance Program. This program identifies students in need of assistance and guidance, the club then "adopts" that student. By that I mean they help in every aspect of the student's life. From providing a educational scholarship to providing funds for living, while this alone is a fabulous project, we heard from one of the recipients who has since graduated. This young lady expressed her gratitude to the club for its support over several years, and identified the club as the reason for her success. She spoke of the club as if she were speaking about her parent. I left that meeting feeling great about what this club is doing.

From Kansas City, past Governor Cheryl and I traveled to the Missouri Key Leader Camp in Bourbon, Missouri. I have to tell you, I have been a big fan of the Key Leader program for several years, and have attended a few camps. This weekend didn't disappoint. We had the typical variety of kids in attendance. We had those who were already leaders, several serving as student facilitators. We had a couple of those who didn't appear to be into the experience. And a majority that were anxious to get involved. As the weekend progressed, more and more became involved in the discussions and were contributing to their neighborhood's projects. By the end of the weekend, every student was excitedly planning another visit to the camp on their own. It wouldn't surprise me if they did. Many of us Kiwanians have attended the Key Leader camps over the years, every one of us has at least one story of a grand transformation of a student. I encourage every club to make room in their budget to send at least one student to one of our camps. If you are not able to find a student to send, please support the camps by supporting the program with a contribution.

Plans for the Mid-Winter conference are coming together and it is looking like it's going to be an outstanding one. Please plan to attend this year's Mid-Winter and join us for all the excitement.

Gary Baker,
Governor

Kiwanis Honors

We're proud of ...



The South County Kiwanis Club presented a 2018 Zeller Fellowship Award to Ed Kurmann (left) for the work he performs for the club. MoArk Past Governor Don Leupold made the presentation.



In October the Kiwanis Club of Boonslick presented Legion of Honor Awards to long-standing members (from left) Marlowe Schlegel (30 years), David Cox (25 years), Nancy Holloway (25 years), Don Bay (30 years), and John Conway (40 years)

Congratulations to the Kiwanis Club of Gladstone, who celebrated their 1st Anniversary at their officer installation on September 7. Joining the celebration were Div. 3 Lt. Governor Ron Shuler, Region 1 Trustee Jim Gibson, MoArk Governor Cheryl Anderson, Past MoArk Governor Roger Jespersen, MoArk Governor Elect Gary Baker, and the keynote speaker Past Kiwanis International President Jane Erickson. She commended the club for their service projects and growth, and praised the club leadership for helping make it all happen.

On a warm sunny day in October, the Kiwanis club of Carrollton (MO) hosted about 150 children for the first annual Kiwanis Kids Day Pa-



rade. Members of the Carrollton High School Key Club and Middle School Builders Club assisted the Kiwanians with the parade. This countywide event, which also served as a Kiwanis International One Day project, was open to children from ages 0-12 years. Dressed in their Halloween costumes, the kids assembled at the Public Library and proceeded to parade around the Carroll County Courthouse square. Five cash prizes were given to the most original and interesting entries.



Kiwanis in Action

News from the Clubs



Above: Beasley Elementary Terrific Kids Mariam Aburas, Tyler Hayes, Xavier Harris, and Dominic Castaldi. In the Seceond row are Kiwanians Pauline Roth, Roy Wunsch, and Beasley Principal Andrea Deane.

Right: Alex Griesheimer, Izad Saeed, Adina Hukic, and Riley Schwartz. In the second row are Kiwanian Pauline Roth, Bierbaum Principal Nathan Burch, Assistant Principal Paul Morris, and Kiwanian Linda Bowen.

The South County Kiwanis Club recently recognized students from Beasley Elementary and Bierbaum Elementary schools as Terrific Kids. These students were selected because they have shown improvement in their attendance, grades, and behavior.



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The Springdale Kiwanis club recently presented 600 pairs of socks to the Springdale American Legion for men and women veterans living at the Northwest Arkansas Veterans home in Fayetteville.

Pictured are Kiwanians Don Williams, American Legion Post Commander Albert Wille, John Thompson, Joanna Williams, and club president Michael Weir



The Boonslick Kiwanis club loves to volunteer at Parents As Teachers events like Messy Night!

Above: Deb Shore got many 'high fives' from kids playing at the paint station!

Below: David Cox helped kids walk barefoot through sensory boxes.

Below Right: Roger Dawdy played with kids in the sand box.



The Lee's Summit Kiwanis Club sponsored a new Aktion Club at Developing Potential, Inc. The club was chartered on Sept. 4, 2018 and the charter meeting was on Oct. 16, 2018, at the Developing Potential facility.

Above (l-r): Jack Belfuss-President of the Lee's Summit club, Allison Byrd-Aktion Club President, Richaun Dunn-Secretary, and Michael Holden-Vice-President.



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The Boonslick Kiwanis club supported the local Salvation Army Bucket Blitz in July because the need is all year round - Not just at Christmas. Left: Matt Pigg, Keith Broadus and Jim Hogan rocked their best "Christmas in July" looks to raise funds.



The Kiwanis club of South County (St. Louis) joined members of their sponsored Key Clubs from Mehlville and Oakville High Schools for their Kiwanis One Day service project. The clubs collected well over \$500 worth of much needed personal care items for Feed My People.

Pictured are (front row) Oakville and Mehlville HS Key Clubbers Maxine Taylor, Harrison Hong and Stacey Rojas; (back row) Kiwanians Ed Kurmann, Roy Wunsch and Pauline Roth.

In October the Kiwanis Club of Columbia donated \$8000 to the Nora Stewart Early Learning Center. The club supports the Learning Center every year. Because of severe revenue cuts, the funds provided by Kiwanis this year will be used for operating expenses.

In October the Carrollton Kiwanis club recognized 18 students at Carrollton Elementary School as TERRIFIC Kids. As teacher Piper Barry announced the winners, Kiwanis members gave each honoree a Terrific Kids t-shirt, a pencil, and a gift coupon to Sonic or McDonald's.

The Union Kiwanis Club pitched in to help the Washington Kiwanis Club along with its first fundraiser -- Socktoberfest. For each \$12 pack of socks purchased, the Washington Kiwanis Club retained half of the funds

to help area schools and the community. Union Kiwanians raised \$200 to purchase socks. The socks will be donated to the Union Angel Tree program, where they will be added to Christmas gifts for area children in the Union School District.

Above (l-r): Velma Wachter and Dave Sutton, Union Kiwanis Club members; Becky Cox, Washington Club President; Kecia McKinnis, Washington Club Fundraising Chair; Ximena Kriete, Washington Club Secretary; and Rich Sandoval, Union Kiwanis Club member.



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News from the Clubs

The Kiwanis Club of Springfield South treated 30 kids in their B.U.G. program to a pizza party in September to celebrate their good school work. The B.U.G. program is run in cooperation with the Boys and Girls Club through their Power Hour homework help group. Three times each school year the Kiwanis club rewards the best students in Power Hour, as chosen by members of



the Boys and Girls Club staff, for their good work.

Above: Kiwanian Ralph Baldi speaks to the B.U.G. kids before the pizza party begins.



Left: Children from the Boys and Girls Club Power Hour are treated to pizza by the Kiwanis Club of Springfield South in recognition of their good schoolwork.

Is Your Club the One? Then Show it

Volunteers give a part of themselves. They invest their time, energy and skills to make a difference in their communities. Being able to make a difference brings a sense of satisfaction worth more than money. The paycheck for volunteer work performed is much less tangible, but oftentimes more valuable - friendships among members, a sense of self-worth and the feeling of being appreciated, to name a few. Recognizing a person's value, investment and contribution is key to retaining members - and motivating them to stay invested in your club. You can recognize exceptional members with any of the following awards.

Ruby K Award

Honor Kiwanians who invite five or more new members during their Kiwanis career with a Ruby K Award, free of charge. Ruby K pins recognize members for inviting new members - from five to 100 people. (Further Ruby K awards are given for multiples of 25 over 100.) The award is cumulative, so previous recipients are eligible for a new Ruby K when they invite additional members.

Distinguished members and clubs

Kiwanis International gives "distinguished" awards to individual Kiwanians and clubs that meet established criteria that demonstrate special dedication to service, membership strength and Kiwanis education. Distinguished members receive a lapel pin. Distinguished clubs receive lapel pins for the president and secretary, along with a patch for the club's banner. Missouri Arkansas also offers this award, however it is based on a different set of criteria. That criteria includes Membership Growth, New Club Growth Initiative, Leadership Education, Conference Attendance, Local Community Service, Global Community Service and Service Leadership Programs. Application can be found on the MOARK webpage.

Interclub

When members of a Kiwanis club visit another Kiwanis Club or a Service Leadership Club at a regular meeting or any other organized Kiwanis Family function, it qualifies as an interclub. A club qualifies if it attends a number of interclubs throughout the year. Information and rules can be found on the MOARK webpage.

Life membership

Thank a member who has demonstrated exemplary commitment to The Objects of Kiwanis and mission of Kiwanis International with life member status. A gold-tone membership card, desktop award, distinctive lapel pin and lifelong exemption from Kiwanis International dues are some of the ways life members are honored. Learn more.

Legion of Honor

Honor members who have served in Kiwanis for 25 years or more with the Legion of Honor award. They deserve recognition for helping to make Kiwanis the great organization it is today. Certificates signed by the Kiwanis International president and executive director, as well as lapel pins that reflect the highest office held by the honoree, are available for presentation. Purchase Legion of Honor awards.

Robert P. Connelly Medal of Heroism

The Robert P. Connelly Medal of Heroism is awarded to an individual who has risked or given his or her life to save someone else. The medal has honored more than 600 individuals, each of whom has exemplified the supreme sacrifice given by Connelly - a Kiwanis member who died in an attempt to save a woman's life. Potential recipients are nominated by Kiwanis clubs within one year of their heroic acts. Robert P. Connelly, 34, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Lisle, Illinois, lost his life on September 23, 1966, as he attempted to rescue a woman who had fallen into the path of a passenger train. Both died in the accident. The Robert P. Connelly Medal of Heroism was created during the 1967 Kiwanis International convention. The award notes that Connelly was "the epitome of all that Kiwanis strives to be." To submit a name for consideration of the Connelly Medal, please complete the online submission form.

For additional information on these forms of recognition either call Kiwanis International at 1-800-KIWANIS or email memberservices@kiwanis.org. For the Missouri Arkansas Awards call the District Office at 314-581-0497 or email kiwanismoark@outlook.com or check out the MOARK webpage at www.moark-kiwanis.net.

Kiwanis Calendar

Feb.	21-24 2019	Midwinter Conference Hilton DoubleTree Suites Bentonville, Arkansas
June	27-30 2019	Kiwanis International Conv. Walt Disney World Resort Orlando, Florida

Kiwanigram Submissions

Information to be included in the Kiwanigram may be submitted by mail to 1022 E. Greenwood St., Springfield, MO 65807, or by e-mail to Kiwanigram@gmail.com. Please include the name and location of your club. Information about Service Leadership clubs and events may also be submitted. Photos from club service projects are always welcome. Preference will be given to photos of Kiwanians participating in and interacting with children at service projects. Please include a brief description of the project and the names of the Kiwanians featured in the photo if possible. The deadline for submissions is 5:00 p.m. on the first Friday of the month in which the issue will appear.

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